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IT WAS ALWAYS GOING TO BE JAMES McGREEVEY

because of his
loyalty to the
people, says Mayor
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Sara Bost, Mayor
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Mayor Mims Hackett
and the other
mayors of Union,
Hudson and Essex
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AWARDS 2000
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THE SHADOW

...he's still watching -
has he seen you?

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"PEOPLE TRUST HIM"

To love my people shouldn't imply I hate others...

(AUTHOR UNKNOWN)

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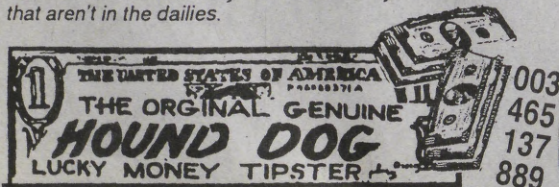
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By JOE COOK

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Three words that essentially mean a company is not interested in the Black Consumer. (A NUD label means that a company does not want their marketing and advertising materials placed in media that claim an urban audience as their main target.)

There are legitimate reasons for companies not using urban radio. It may be that blacks don't index high in certain categories or that a company's strategy is to market to the Black consumer down the road after they have established a strong position in their primary target.

But a NUD usually means that a company is not interested in the Black consumer. Companies evade discrimination liability by embracing it as theory rather than policy. As a service to Black consumers, the Urban Institute will list all companies that have a NUD policy. Armed with this information, we feel that Black consumers will be able to make informed buying decisions. Companies with NUD:

Starbucks
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Please forward this information on to any other consumer that you consider a friend and advise them to do likewise. Remember, we can't act wisely unless we are informed wisely.

The Black Mirror News Reflections

This column, which is exclusive to *The Black Mirror News* will bring the "truth" to our community when others "lie".

Maybe we've found the Millennium's version of a Trojan Horse! Read on...

PUPPET!

The future of Newark resides in those who are quietly doing something about the problems that confront the city. Nothing positive is accomplished by anyone standing on a soapbox screaming about Newark's problems.

It should not come as a surprise to anyone that there is a drug problem in Newark. Drugs are a serious problem in just about every city in America, large or small.

So what useful purpose was served by a member of the Newark Municipal Council setting up shop in a tent on the grounds of The Academy Spheres Housing Complex to call attention to illegal drug dealing in the Complex?

What was the councilman's motivation?, Just another publicity stunt!

Grandstanding you say? Probably.

The problem with this kind of grandstanding is the negative media attention that it focuses on the city. Not once since being elected has this councilman had anything positive to say about Newark or Newarkers.

WHY NOT?

You've heard of the "Great White Hope"? Well, maybe what we have sitting on the City Council is the "Great Oreo Hope". In other words folks you did not elect someone who represents your interests - too bad.

With all the positive things going on in Newark, it is a sad commentary that an elected official finds it necessary to accentuate the negative. The media just loves that controversial nonsense as do our snobbish suburban neighbors.

- Talk About A Trojan Horse -

Editor's note: The term "Great White Hope" alludes to the 1920s, when Jack Johnson, became the first African American to win the heavyweight boxing crown. The majority population became incensed and very determined to run anyone and everyone up against Johnson in order to reclaim control of the championship.

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MOST POPULAR

BEAUTICIAN
& BARBER



OF THE
YEAR

THE MAYOR SPEAKS... Sharpe James requests media fairness

June 14, 2000

Mr. Jim Willse, Editor
The Star-Ledger

1 Star-Ledger Plaza, Newark, New Jersey 07102-1200

Dear Mr. Willse:

Even though we live in New Jersey, we are aware of the fact that the media gives Mayor Rudolph Giuliani of New York City abundant and fair media coverage.

Unfortunately, *The Star-Ledger* continues to ignore the good work of my office while trying to elevate lesser individuals, discrediting the James Administration and offering no fairness in reporting the news. Yet, you continue to demand that "we fully cooperate with all requests made by *The Star-Ledger*." An example of this is today's coverage of the horrible events yesterday, June 13, 2000.

During the horrible slaying of a wife and grandmother yesterday, the son was held hostage by his father, Mr. Ali Kemoum. This created a standoff that stretched for more than six hours. Despite the fact that I was at the Police Command Post on Lake Street during the entire period of the standoff, and briefed the many media representatives covering the event, on three separate occasions, there is no mention of the fact that Mayor Sharpe James, as chief executive officer of the City of Newark, was a participant in every decision made at 511 Lake Street.

It is totally inexcusable that four *Star-Ledger* reporters, three of whom asked for special assistance from the mayor during the siege, completely ignored my presence in print, ignored my giving TV and media updates on the event and personally announcing the release of the son and surrender of Mr. Kemoum. All of that was totally left out of *The Star-Ledger's* coverage today of this event.

For the record:

1. It was Mayor Sharpe James, not the negotiating team, not Police Director Joseph J. Santiago, and not Deputy Police Director Rocco Malanga, who proposed the idea of telling Mr. Kemoum that his son was asking for him at the hospital, and that we would transport him to the hospital to see his son, if he would come downstairs. Mr. Kemoum did so, and the arrest was made without injury or harm to the alleged attacker.
2. Second, *The Star-Ledger* was incorrect in stating that Police Director Santiago stated that Mr. Kemoum wanted to fight his security boss, Mr. Peter Cooper. I made this statement of private information in updating the press, and not the police director. *Star-Ledger* reporter Barry Carter wrote my remarks while standing in front of me. He asked me to repeat the name of Mr. Cooper. I also had ordered this request be rejected at that time.
3. I personally vetoed the idea of using tear gas against Mr. Kemoum. I also vetoed any idea of having an expert rifleman shoot him when he became visible at a window. In concert with the wonderful work of Police Director Joseph Santiago, the Police Emergency Response Team, the negotiating team, and other police units and support services, we honored our mission to "save lives and get the son and father out alive and unharmed."

4. I immediately honored the request of *Star-Ledger* reporters to receive a copy of the Kemoum family's Newark Planning Board application plan to add a dental office to their home, which appeared on *The Star-Ledger's* front page. I cooperated. I immediately honored the request of *Star-Ledger* reporters to walk through the crime scene and take a photograph of the front of the house. I cooperated.
6. I immediately honored the request of *Star-Ledger* reporters to take a group photograph of the Police Negotiating Team members. I cooperated.
7. I immediately honored the request of *Star-Ledger* reporters and others to set up cameras and equipment closer to the crime scene as opposed to being further back in Branch Brook Park. I cooperated.

Finally, it was "my stated mission" as Mayor of the City when first addressing the press during this six-hour ordeal that we regrettably could not save the lives of a mother and grandmother, but we were committed to attempt to save the lives of the alleged perpetrator and his son. Our mission was accomplished, commendably.

I even forwarded a timely press statement to *The Star-Ledger* commending our police.

You ignored my press release.

You ignored my positive contributions.

You ignored my six-hour presence as well.

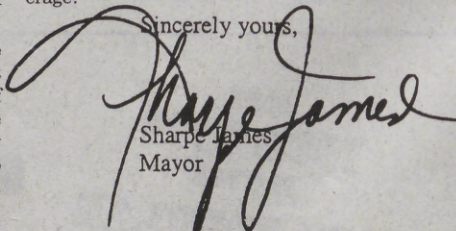
You totally ignored the Mayor.

Yet you continue print bad or negative news about the Mayor. When you cover our accomplishments to save or improve the lives of our residents, you print a negative view of them. Or you ignore them completely.

When will the James Administration receive fair play by *The Star-Ledger*? Is asking for professional, objective journalism and fairness wrong?

Again a basic question, was the Mayor of the City involved in helping bring to an end this tragic and remorseful event? Or does he have to stage "publicity stunts" like others for full coverage?"

Sincerely yours,

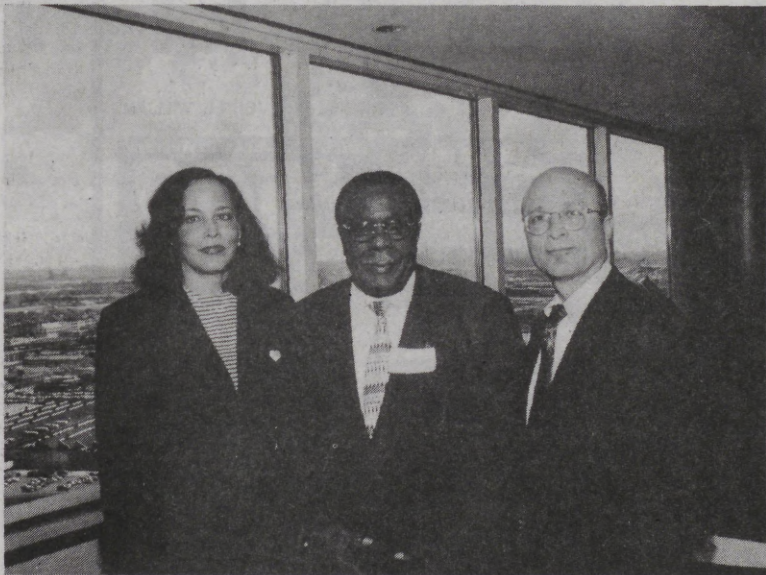


Sharpe James
Mayor

Cc: Mark Newhouse, General Manager
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Clergy
District Leaders

SJ:dhl

Breakfast at the Newark Club



(l. to r.):
Charlotte L. Smith,
Executive Assistant
Prosecutor,
Newark's
NAACP President,
Danny Williams, and
Donald C. Campolo,
Acting Essex County
Prosecutor.



(l. to r.): Rev. James, Danny Williams, Vincent Brown, James Gist and Rev. McKinney. Vincent Brown of the popular Rap group Naughty by Nature congratulates Danny Williams during a recent visit to the Garden State. Williams was the Year 2000 Grand Marshal in the statewide African American Parade held recently in Newark.

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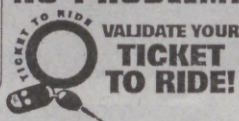
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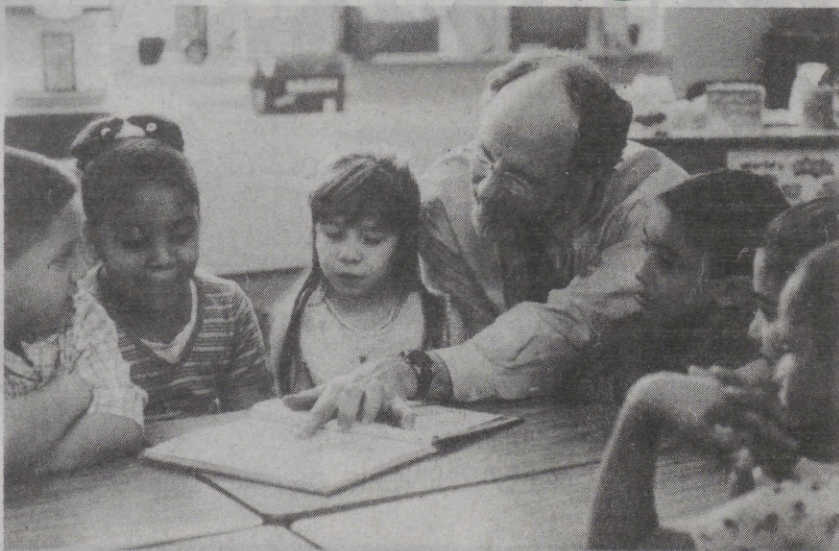
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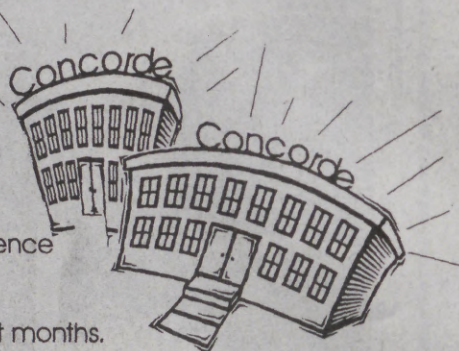
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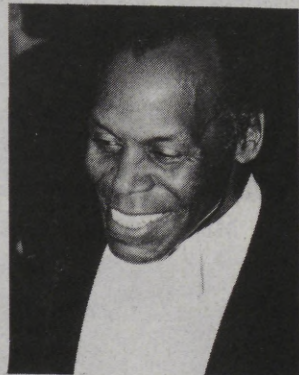
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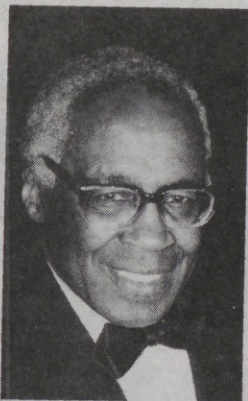
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(below): Thomas P. Giblin, Essex County
Democratic Chairman



(above): Jon Corzine's
Bus and gifts to the
young people.

GRAIN



(left): Dawn Martinez,
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AAHPC, her grand
mother Rose Wiley,
her sister-in-law
Lavinia Orr and
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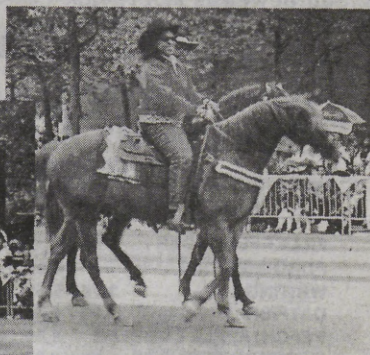
(left):
Strutting their
stuff – some
marching young
ladies.

(right): The SEIU
Organization show their
support.



(left): The Independent Community
Bank salutes the African American
Heritage Parade with a display of
elephants, camels and horses.

(right):
The Black
Rodeo Horse
people
salute the
parade.




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DR. JULIA HAYNES

East Orange teacher

Dr. Julia Haynes taught in several northern New Jersey school systems, most recently in East Orange. She was a member of the East Orange, New Jersey and National education associations.

EDWARD A. HUNT

worked for the Port Authority of NY and NJ

A resident of East Orange, Mr. Hunt served in the Air Force, the Air Force Reserve and the Air Force National Guard.

LUCYE HARRINGTON LEE, 93

ultimate volunteer

Known by her peers and officials at Newark's University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey as the "real boss" Mrs. Lee was an in-charge woman who, for decades, spent a part of each day at the hospital inservice to its staff and patients. A former social editor of the New Jersey Afro-american, she was also involved for many years with the Urban League of Essex County and the Newark-based Project Babies.



JOCKO HENDERSON

free-spirited deejay

Douglas (Jocko) Henderson, the pioneer rock 'n' roll deejay whose rhyming style helped define the sound and spirit of the '50s in the early days of rock 'n' roll becoming mainstream. Henderson hosted live shows for years at the Apollo Theater, and in the late '50s became the first black to regularly host a rock 'n' roll TV show, on Ch. 13.

ROSKO

FM radio innovator

Bill (Rosko) Mercer, whose ultra-cool on-air style helped define the cachet of early FM radio, in the 60s. He worked at WNJR, WINS and other stations, broadcasting live from the Palm Cafe and emceeding shows at the Apollo Theatre in Harlem. He also worked alongside Murray the K and Scott Muni, and at WBLS and WKTU.

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WBGO Jazz 88.3 FM is airing a 13-part radio series celebrating the legacy of Louis Armstrong. In the 100th year of his birth, Satchmo: *The Wonderful World of Louis Armstrong* is a powerful exposition of Armstrong's 50-year career, from his seminal work in the 1920s through his popular releases in the 1960s. Part of NPR's Jazz Profiles, WBGO airs the series every Tuesday, 7:00-8:00 p.m., began on July 11 and continues for the next 13 weeks. The first two-hour installments of the series will aired as part of a special broadcast on July 4 (Armstrong's self-proclaimed birth date), 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Each program includes extraordinary sound clips and recordings, including the voices of people who knew him, worked with him and were influenced by him. Listeners will hear rare archival interviews with Armstrong, Billie Holiday,

Transcending racial barriers with the force of his talent and his charismatic personality, Armstrong became an American cultural icon recognized around the world. With a gravelly voice that seemed to rumble up from the center of the earth and complete mastery of a musical range on the trumpet, he is one of the few artists in music history who made as great an impact with his voice as with his instrument. He even knocked The Beatles from number one on *Billboard's* Top Forty with his version of "Hello Dolly."

"Satchmo: The Wonderful World of Louis Armstrong" is a co-production of NPR and The Luce Group, in association with WRTI-FM, Temple University. The Executive Producer for this series is Jim Luce and the Executive Producer for *Jazz Profiles* is the Peabody Award-winning Tim Owens. The funding for this program is made possible by the Corporation of Public Broadcasting, The Wallace Reader's Digest Fund, NPR member stations, Oris Swiss Watches, and Cary Audio Design.

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8/1 Armstrong - The Singer

After establishing himself as the most innovative jazz instrumentalist, Armstrong was given a chance to sing ... and he turned the jazz world upside down again. In February 1926, his vocal recording of "Heebie Jeebies" elevated "scat" style singing to an art form and for the next 45 years, his singing voice would become one of the world's most recognized and enjoyed in jazz and popular music. The program features interviews with authors and Armstrong scholars, including Garry Giddins, Dan Morgenstern, and Laurence Bergreen. Also included will be interviews with George Avakian and Milt Gabler who produced many of Armstrong's most durable recordings.

8/8 Armstrong's New Orleans

New Orleans was a musical cauldron, brewing with the influences of Africa, the Caribbean Europe and America. This show looks at how New Orleans indelibly stamped the music of Armstrong and how he, in turn, changed the city forever. Armstrong grew up in the segregated, impoverished black community of New Orleans. He was arrested at age 12 and sent to a waif's home. Yet Armstrong fondly remembers his early years because that's when he learned to play jazz.

8/15 Armstrong - The Chicago Years

One of Armstrong's most formative and creative periods took place in Chicago in the 1920s. He left his hometown of New Orleans to play second cornet in the popular band led by his mentor and father figure, Joe "King" Oliver. Armstrong spent six years in Chicago, where he made his first recordings with King Oliver and then with the Hot Fives and Sevens.

8/22 Armstrong - The Big Band Years, Part 1

At the root of the Swing Era is the big band, and at the root of the big band is Armstrong. The way he played and the way he sang found its reflection in every band of the era, and not just in trumpeters and vocalists. Everyone who played jazz had Armstrong in their style. In this show, we examine the early years on the West Coast, the bands with which Armstrong toured the United States, and the early interracial bands he led in Europe in the early 30's. We hear from Armstrong big band alumni such as Lionel Hampton and Lawrence Brown.

8/29 Armstrong - The Big Band Years, Part 2

Though best remembered as a trumpeter and singer, Armstrong led big bands for almost twenty years.



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126 golf club workers strike it rich with Fla. Lottery

from the ASSOCIATED PRESS - 7/26/00

VERO BEACH, Fla.—Twenty-six employees of the Bent Pine Golf Club, who have spent years serving meals, washing dishes and tending to the needs of members, suddenly can afford to join the club.

Each chipped in \$2 into a pool to buy lottery tickets last week and came away with the lone winning ticket in Saturday's \$65 million Florida Lotto drawing.

"I've lived on the street all my life. I've never had nothing," 23-year-old waitress Kathy Wilson said with a smile yesterday. "This is a gift."

Just last week, Wilson, a single mother of four, was scraping together change for gas money. Now she plans to buy a house and take her children to Disney World. Despite living an hour south of Orlando, she's never been able to afford the trip.

Club employees have been pitching in \$1 twice a week for five years to buy tickets. None of the 26 winners—including a secretary, valet, an assistant golf pro and a florist who often performs work for Bent Pine—have quit since learning during Sunday's lunch rush that they'd struck it rich.

But the prize has been somewhat distracting.

"What's burning?" Wilson asked in the kitchen yesterday while turning in a clam chowder order.

"It's the rolls," said line cook Rick Havey, 41, while preparing the day's special, chicken with biscuits.

The workers, who range in age from 19 to 51, take home an average of about \$250 each week. They will now decide whether to take a one-time \$32.1 million payment or split the jackpot over 30 years. Either way, they'll be able to afford the club's \$25,000 lifetime membership fee.

Clubhouse manager Russell J. Kelly, 34, has spent a lot of time talking with lawyers and investment counselors and getting advice from the other winners. Every financial adviser in town has called, Kelly said yesterday during a brief break between phone calls.

"We're not doing Bent Pine business," Kelly said. "We're doing Lotto business." Head dishwasher Terri Barg, 43, and her dishwasher husband, Robert, checked the Lotto numbers in Sunday's paper. Her co-workers didn't believe her when she gave the news they had won.

A club employee for 17 years, she'll continue working and use the money to help her elderly parents.

Waitress Keri Dillingham, 22, plans to finish her degree in psychology and invest her portion. She'll also buy her boyfriend a new truck. His vehicle broke down Tuesday morning and his boss was threatening to fire him if he didn't show up for

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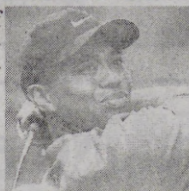
How Sweet It Is...

Golfer Tiger Woods, has dominated the golfing world with recent wins of the PGA Tournament, Pebble Beach, CA; and the "ultimate" competition—The British Open at St. Andrews, Scotland. By conservative estimates, the golf world without Tiger Woods would be about \$700 million poorer. *Wow!*

Another force in sports are the Williams Sisters, who have taken on "world class" competitors at their young age and already hold 11 Grand Slam titles between them. In fact in Wimbledon Doubles competition—they weren't even ranked—and yet went on to eliminate all comers and win the Doubles. Along with Serena's Grand Slam U.S. Open championship and Venus' recent Grand Slam Single's championship at Wimbledon assures us of many more outstanding performances to come. *"You go, girls!"*

A tip of the hat to the respective fathers of these young champions—Earl Woods and Richard Williams who had the foresight to know what would it take to succeed in two sports that were not mainstream to the average African American. Boy, would I like to see

the two of them interviewed together—by say, a Charlie Rose or Larry King!



Champion Tiger Woods



Champions Venus and Serena Williams



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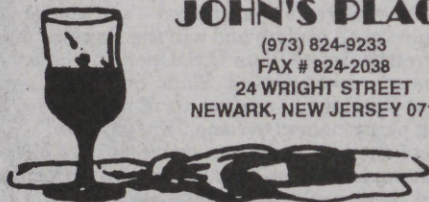
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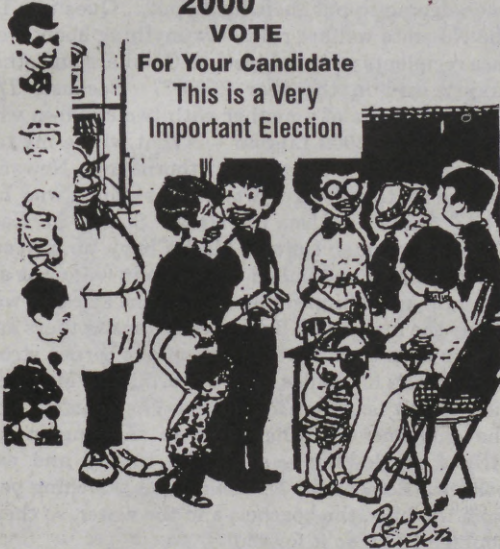
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TAURUS APRIL 20-MAY 20—You can accomplish more than you ever thought possible with clear thinking and determination. Don't fear intuition. Travel plans go haywire; keep your feet on the ground. You can benefit from old friends and ideas.

GEMINI MAY 21-JUNE 21—Keep to yourself at work; office politics heat up, and you don't want to get-stuck in the middle. Romance is in your chart now, and you will win over someone who has resisted you in the past.

CANCER JUNE 22 JULY 22—Your charm and appeal will take you far in life. Parents have a profound influence on a child's education. Pay close attention to the details; don't let things slip through the cracks.

LEO JULY 23-AUG. 22—A family member wants you to go on a trip. Don't accept if your finances are not in order. Small gestures are greatly appreciated at work. Give praise to those who help with organization.

VIRGO AUG. 23-SEPT. 22—Accomplishing one small task brings you closer to a larger goal. Focus your efforts toward the big picture, and let other problems resolve themselves.

LIBRA-OCT. 23—You will be asked advice on a delicate situation; keep details to yourself. On the job, you move up if you are flexible but firm. A partner desires your best efforts, so stay focused on the task at hand.

SCORPIO OCT. 24 NOV. 21—A stressful situation spills over to you. Keep a cool head. Don't abandon your principles. A nemesis disappears or is no longer a threat. Try not to keep a lover waiting this afternoon.

SAGITTARIUS NOV. 22-DEC. 21—Lately you feel as if you are all alone. Creativity gets you through — you know you are right, so stick to your guns. Grasp the significance of a relationship now before it is too late.

CAPRICORN DEC. 22-JAN. 19—Dress for success tonight. Good impressions lead to a promotion or added recognition. Financial security is available to you if you want it. Get ready for success.

AQUARIUS JAN. 20-FEB 18—Careful you may be caught in a love triangle. What began as a harmless flirtation has turned into something more. Everyone wants autonomy, so be respectful of others' wishes.

PISCES FEB. 19-MARCH 20—An older person appreciates the added attention. Bestow a favor only if you are genuinely moved to do so. Money comes through creative thought; believe it, and it will come your way.

THE SHADOW KNOWS...



The Shadow knows things are crazy these days – but how could that young brother blow his job making \$1200.00 a week, because he was late every day ... wait, there's more: what's up with those young ladies at the crossways pushing the baby strollers out while the traffic is still moving with the baby in it... and, the brothers begging for a quarter on Broad Street in Newark standing in front of a store that says "WE'RE HIRING TODAY!"... *what's up with that?*... Note to the young lady that passes the restaurant on Bergen Street and Clinton Ave. every day: I think you should know that your wig is red and crooked and unbecoming to you... I heard they caught the brother who bragged about getting two welfare checks. One in Orange and the other in Jersey City... *The Shadow* has noticed that the young brother on Bergen Street in Newark has decided to be a man and take care of his responsibilities at last. He's now giving a few dollars to his baby's mom every now and then. She really needs it. Anyway, you should give her much more because we all know how you get yours, and riding around in that \$70,000 "Benz" makes you stand out... I wish

"Mr. and Mrs. Good Hole" in Montclair would learn to mind their own business – so say the "Rough Family" that lives close to them. I hear that if they keep telling everything they supposedly see, someone is going to put their lights out... Question: Do the NJ state welfare rules say anything about welfare recipients owning Lincolns, Cadillacs and other luxury cars in the year 2000??? Because, *The Shadow Knows* of a mother with two children who drives a new 2000 Lincoln – is that where my tax money is going... Jerry of Hawthorne Ave., Newark, took a beating from a woman, he said, "was his wife," whoa!... Also, on Grove Street in East Orange, a woman cut off a black Chevy, jumped out of a tan BMW and pulled out the man (who was six feet tall) and whipped him all over the street. T'was funny the man didn't fight back... Say, brothers and sisters does that hot dog man at the corner street stand wash his hands after he urinates? My question to you is: where??? I hear *The Shadow* isn't the only one watching the crap shooting in the streets of Newark – so is the county and city police!... Remember, *The Shadow* is watching you: from the hills, the beaches, and the water, so check yourself or I'll do it for you!

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